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Furthermore, the submission of the above listed item(s) is not to be construed as a representation that an exhaustive search, or any search, has been made, or that additional information material to the examination of this Application does not exist.

The cited item (Reference AA) is a data sheet relating to LT1615 integrated circuit chip for a step-up DC/DC converter, which appears to be referenced in US Patent 6,791,283 (Bowman) cited in the Office Action dated August 14, 2008.

This IDS is believed to be timely in that it is being submitted under 37 CFR §1.97(b)(4), that is, before the mailing of a first Office action after the filing of a request for continued examination under § 1.114. Thus, no petition or fee is required. However, if the undersigned representative of Applicant is in error in this regard, then the Examiner is requested to consider this IDS as filed under §1.97(c) and is further authorized to charge any fee required by its filing to Deposit Account No. 09-0946.

Respectfully Submitted,

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